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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of July 9, 2002, the time to respond to which is hereby being extended by one (1) month to November 9, 2002, effective November 12, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the application of:

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TRACHEOSTOMY TUBE WITH ADJUSTABLE QUICK RELEASE AND METHOD THEREFOR For:

- [x] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. []
- [x] No additional fee is required.

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